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**THE ADVOCATE
BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA**

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

The City of Baton Rouge and Parish of East Baton Rouge (City-Parish) will receive electronic or paper bids for the construction of the following project:

**TRAFFIC SIGNAL CONNECTION AND COMMUNICATIONS INSTALLATION
EAST BATON ROUGE PARISH WIDE
20-TS-HC-0010**

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: This project consists of the installation of thermoplastic pavement markings, raised pavement markers and related work.

A non-mandatory pre-bid meeting will be held at the Traffic Engineering Division, 329 Chippewa St, Baton Rouge, LA on August 28, 2020 at 10:00 am.

Electronic or Sealed bids will be received until 2:00 p.m. Local Time, **THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2020**, by the Purchasing Division, Room 826, City Hall, 222 Saint Louis Street, Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70802. No bids will be received after 2:00 p.m. on the same day and date.

Teleconference Call-in Information for Public Access to Bid Opening while Public Bid Openings suspended:

Join by phone

+1-408-418-9388 United States Toll

Access code: 263 373 080 (followed by the # button)

Alternate numbers to call if number above is not available, which may occur due to network traffic (use the same Access Code, followed by the # button):

United States Toll (Boston) +1-617-315-0704

United States Toll (Chicago) +1-312-535-8110

United States Toll (Dallas) +1-469-210-7159

United States Toll (Denver) +1-720-650-7664

United States Toll (Jacksonville) +1-904-900-2303

Electronic bids and electronic bid bonds for the solicitation will be downloaded by the City-Parish, Purchasing Division. Electronic bids and electronic bid bonds must be submitted through www.bidexpress.com prior to the bidding deadline. Beginning as soon as feasible after the bid closing time all electronic bids will be downloaded and publicly read aloud along with all paper bids received, if any, in Room 806 of City Hall immediately after the 2:00 p.m. bid closing. Bidders and/or their authorized representatives are invited to be present. Any person with disabilities requiring special accommodations must contact the City-Parish no later than seven (7) days prior to the bid opening.

Bids, amendments to bids, or request for withdrawal of quotations, received after time specified for bid opening shall not be considered for any cause whatsoever. Bid results can be viewed at the link below:
<http://www.brgov.com/dept/purchase/bidresults.asp>

Bids shall be firm for a period of forty-five (45) days from the date of the opening of bids and no bid shall be withdrawn for any reason during this period of time except as allowed per R.S. 38:2214.C.

Electronic copies of the plans, specifications and contract documents may be obtained online at www.bidexpress.com. Paper copies of the plans, specifications and contract documents are on file and may be obtained from the Department of Public Works, Engineering Division, Room 137, Public Works and Planning Center at 1100 Laurel Street, Baton Rouge, Louisiana or Post Office Box 1471, Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70821, upon payment of **\$10.00** Dollars. (Make checks payable to the City of Baton Rouge and Parish of East Baton Rouge.) Fees for plans, specifications and contract documents are to cover the cost of reproduction and are non-refundable in accordance with Louisiana Revised Statutes.

A Certified Check or Cashier's Check, payable to the Parish of East Baton Rouge or a satisfactory Bid Bond executed by the Bidder and an acceptable surety, in an amount equal to five percent (5%) of the total bid, shall be submitted with each bid. Sureties used for obtaining bonds must appear as acceptable on the U.S. Department of the Treasury Circular 570.

Bids shall be received electronically via www.bidexpress.com or on solicitation bid forms furnished by the City-Parish, and only those bids shall be received by the City-Parish which are submitted by those Contractors in whose names the **solicitation bid** forms and/or specifications were issued. In no event shall **paper solicitation** forms be issued later than twenty-four (24) hours prior to the hour and date set for receiving proposals.

The Bidder is advised that the City of Baton Rouge and Parish of East Baton Rouge is an Equal Opportunity Employer. Therefore the Bidder is encouraged to utilize minority participation in this contract to the extent possible through the use of small, disadvantaged and women-owned businesses as suppliers or subcontractors. To assist the City-Parish in our efforts to track the minority participation on our construction projects the successful low bidder shall include CP DBE-1 (revised 3/6/2012) with the monthly partial payment request.

All Contractors bidding on this work shall comply with all provisions of the State Licensing Law for Contractors, R.S. 37:2150-2163, as amended, for all public contracts. It shall also be the responsibility of the General Contractor to assure that all subcontractors comply with this law. If required for bidding, Contractors must hold an active license issued by the Louisiana State Licensing Board for Contractors in the classification of Municipal and Public Works Construction, and must show their license number on the face of the bid envelope and the Uniform Public Works Bid Form.

In accordance with La. R.S. 38:2214 (B) the City-Parish reserves the right to reject any and all bids for just cause. In accordance with La. R.S. 38:2212 (B)(1), the provisions and requirements of this Section, those stated in the advertisement for bids, and those required on the bid form, shall not be considered as informalities and shall not be waived by any public entity.

For additional information please contact Mike Falcon, P.E. at (225) 389-2147 or mfalcon@brla.gov.